Michael “MafiaBoy” Calce - Bio

Michael “MafiaBoy” Calce is Canada’s most notorious White Hat hacker, a cyber-security expert and author of ‘How I Cracked the Internet and why It’s Still Broken’.

In February 2000, at the age of 15, MafiaBoy launched a series of high-profile denial-of-service attacks against large commercial websites, including eBay, Amazon and E*Trade – it has been estimated that these attacks cost the organisations upwards of $1.5 billion dollars in lost revenue.

Today, Canada’s most infamous reformed hacker is the president of Optimal Secure, a Montreal-based cyber security firm specialising in penetration testing. He works with companies like HP to help raise awareness around cyber security so companies can ensure their network is as secure as possible. His background allows him to work in a unique way, as he thinks like a hacker, therefore he can help anticipate issues before they arise.

MafiaBoy has collaborated with HP to raise awareness about the evolving threat landscape that companies and individuals face today. His unique perspective and background enables him to show and tell others why they need to be cognizant of how they share data, operate online, and protect their data.

HP has been working with MafiaBoy to raise the awareness of print security for some time. A full-length documentary on MafiaBoy and his exploits is going to be launched in Canada on 8th May, 2017. Here is a link to the trailer.